

## SWORN CHARGE AGAINST COOK

That Polar Explorer Tried to Hire Faked Records

TO PROVE HIS CONTENTION

Scientists at University of Copenhagen Say It Will Come Out on Examination if There Is Anything Crooked in Data.

Copenhagen, Denmark, Dec. 9.—If Dr. Cook's polar records were faked, as sworn by Captain August Looe and George H. Dunkle in affidavits published to-day, the Danish scientists will discover the fraud when they examine the data. This is about as far as the scientists will go in discussing New York's latest story to discredit Cook, declaring that it will be impossible to fake records to stand that critical examination.

Walter Lonsdale, Dr. Cook's secretary, to-day turned over his records to Chancellor Salmonsens of the university of Copenhagen. The examining board has not been picked. Secretary Lonsdale denies the story that Dr. Cook is in a Maine sanitarium. He says Cook is still in Bronxville, N. Y.

### SERIOUS CHARGES MADE.

That Dr. Cook Tried to Buy Aid in Preparing Polar Data.

New York, Dec. 9.—The Times printed this morning sworn affidavits signed by August W. Looe, a pilot and navigator, and Geo. H. Dunkle, an insurance broker, that Dr. Cook promised to pay them \$4,000 for their aid in preparing the polar records of his journey, which are now in the hands of the university of Copenhagen. The Times also reproduces what purported to be the facsimile of a pencilled memorandum directing the preparation of observations all the way from Svarbarvas to the pole.

They freely acknowledged that the motive in making these affidavits is the alleged failure to pay them the full sum said to have been promised.

### TWO STORIES VARY.

As Told Separately by Dunkle and Looe To-day.

New York, Dec. 9.—George C. Dunkle stated to-day that he first approached Dr. Cook with a proposition to have Looe prepare the polar records. He said he realized that if he could get Cook to accept, and then could not get the money he desired from the explorer, there were "splendid possibilities" in selling to a newspaper, which was just what he did to the New York Times.

While Dunkle was stating this and also that he "had been certain from the start that Cook was a colossal faker," Looe in Brooklyn declared he believed "Cook might have reached some where near the pole." There is a distinct variance between the stories of Dunkle and Looe, as told separately.

### COOK LOCATED?

Believed That He Is in a Sanitarium at Wells, Me.

Wells, Me., Dec. 9.—While not definite, it is generally believed that Dr. Cook is here at the Pine Tree sanitarium of Dr. W. S. Pitt. Telegrams for Cook were signed for. All efforts to ascertain the truth were blocked by attendants, who refused to affirm or deny that Cook was there.

### \$15,000 FIRE.

Residence at Wellesley, Mass., was Gutted Last Night.

Wellesley, Mass., Dec. 9.—Fire early last night gutted the three-story dwelling on the William Henkle estate off Washington street, between Wellesley Hills and Lower Falls, causing damage estimated at \$15,000. Alarms from boxes 32 and 34 brought nearly all the apparatus in the town. The department had a three-hour haul shortly after 7, presumably from an overhead furnace, during the temporary absence of the family of John L. Romkey, who have occupied the building the past few years. The house was gutted. A large amount of furnishings and personal effects of the occupants were burned.

### GIRL COMMITS SUICIDE.

On Account of Unrequited Love of Man She Has Never Seen.

Baltimore, Dec. 9.—Leaving a note which is accepted by her parents as a confession of unrequited love for a man whom they declared she had never seen, Miss Mary Scott of this city yesterday committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid.

The name of the man referred to in the letter is C. L. Shub, who, the girl's parents say, lives in Harrisburg, Pa.

### TANNERY MAY BE REBUILT.

E. A. Fisher Will Meet Business Men To Discuss Plans.

Bethel, Dec. 9.—E. A. Fisher, formerly of the E. A. Fisher company, whose tannery in this place burned last April, is considering plans for rebuilding here. It is understood that he expects some assistance from the Bethel people and has agreed to meet the business men Monday evening to consider the matter.

## OLDFIELD WENT FAST IN TEETH OF GALE

Autoist Went 50 Miles in 47 Minutes and 18 Seconds at Dallas, Texas.

His Hands Were Nearly Frozen to the Wheel.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 9.—With his face wrapped in woolen bandages, Barney Oldfield drove his 120-horsepower Benz racer in the teeth of a Texas norther yesterday afternoon, and broke the 50-mile world's circular track record, which has stood for over five years. He covered the distance in 47:18, as against the old mark of 48:40 1-4, made by himself at Fresno, Cal., in 1904. Oldfield got inside the previous record at three miles, and broke every individual mark to the end of the run.

Oldfield's drive was spectacular. The track was frozen in places, and the radiator of his car was filled with alcohol, as the only preventive against freezing. At the finish of the drive, Oldfield's hands had to be pulled loose from the steering wheel by his assistant, having been affected by the intense cold at so high a speed.

H. R. Green, member of the American Automobile association contest board, acted as referee, and as the meeting was sanctioned the record will be accepted as official.

## LAKE STEAMER BURNED, TWO MEN PERISHED

Anchar Line Freighter Clarion Was Burned Off Point Pelee Island in Lake Erie This Morning.

Lake Erie This Morning, Remainder of Crew Nearly Perished.

Cleveland, Dec. 9.—The Anchor Line freight steamer Clarion was burned off Point Island in Lake Erie this morning. The first mate and one of the crew perished. The others were rescued although nearly dead from exposure. The Clarion carried a crew of eighteen or twenty men but no passengers.

### WOULD ARBITRATE.

Striking Operations at Ludlow, Mass., Voted So Yesterday.

Ludlow, Mass., Dec. 9.—At another mass meeting in Indian Orchard yesterday afternoon the striking operatives of the Ludlow Manufacturing association voted to submit their grievances to arbitration by the state board of conciliation and arbitration. This announcement was made last night to Secretary Bernard E. Supple of the state board, who came here from Boston yesterday afternoon, by a committee from Springfield Central Labor union, which is aiding in directing the strikers' cause. The proposition to be made by the state board will be considered at a meeting of the strikers in Indian Orchard at 7 o'clock this evening.

It was announced last night that the state board of arbitration had definitely decided to come here to-day to make another attempt to secure a working agreement for the restoration of hostilities between the Ludlow Manufacturing association and their employees.

Eviction notices were served on seven more families last evening and they will be put out of their houses the first of next week unless they move of their own accord in the meantime.

## CHILD SMOTHERED TO DEATH IN RIDE

Parents Had Wrapped It So Warmly That It Couldn't Breathe—The Child Was Only Three Weeks Old.

North Fairfield, Dec. 9.—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sturtevant of this place, upon returning home Tuesday from a six-mile drive, found that their three-week-old son had been wrapped too warmly and had smothered to death.

### AMERICAN LEGATION AT VATICAN.

Pope Pius Is Soliciting Support of Arch Bishops to that End.

Rome, Dec. 9.—From unquestioned sources, the United Press learns that Pope Pius has commissioned Cardinal Vanutelli to negotiate with United States Ambassador Lounsberry for the establishment of an American legation at the Vatican. The pope, it is said, has requested Monsignor Falcone to have Cardinal Gibbons enlist Archbishop Farley of New York, Ireland of St. Paul, O'Connell of Boston and Glennon of St. Louis in support of the plan. Lounsberry promised to inform the government of the pope's desires, but refused to personally either support or oppose the plan.

### LOW TARIFFS PARTY'S AIM.

Payne Bill but an Incident, Declares Secretary McVeagh.

Boston, Dec. 9.—That the Republican party has changed front and is now marching toward lower tariffs, in which movement the Payne tariff bill is but an incident, was the statement of Secretary of the Treasury Franklin MacVeagh, at the annual banquet of the Massachusetts Bankers' association last night. Three hundred attended the banquet, at which Alfred I. Aiken of Worcester, president of the association presided.

Howard Butts of Moscow slipped Monday on an icy sidewalk and fell, breaking two ribs.

Hon. Samuel E. Pingree of White River Junction is present in Windsor county court, it being the 101st term he has attended. He was admitted to the bar at the December term of 1889 and, with the exception of the years spent in the army, has missed the opening day of court only a few times.

## EASTERN STAR CONVENTION

Fourth District Met in Barre Last Evening

ONE OF BEST EVER HELD

Banquet Was Served at Six O'clock and There Were Upwards of 300 People to Attend It and the Meeting Following.

The annual convocation of the fourth district, Order of Eastern Star, which was held at the Masonic rooms in this city last evening, with Ruth chapter, No. 33, proved one of the most successful convocations that the chapters of the district has ever held. Members began arriving early in the afternoon, until by evening there were present fully 300 members of the order, including several of the state grand officers.

The grand officers present were Mrs. Christina Borland of South Londonderry, grand matron; Mrs. Ruby C. Hawley of Richmond, grand lecturer; H. L. Stillson of Bennington, grand secretary; A. E. House of Williamstown, grand sentinel; Mrs. Myrtle Ford of Cabot, grand Martha; and Mrs. Abbie Stone of Barre, grand marshal. It was expected that the grand patron Dr. Frederick R. Stoddard, would be present as a guest of honor, but he was unable to attend.

A chicken-pie banquet was served in the banquet hall shortly after 5:30 by the members of Ruth chapter. This banquet proved an entire success, and the visiting members were loud in their praise of the hospitality of Ruth chapter. Mrs. Myrtle Ford of Green Mountain, who was furnished during the banquet by Gilbertson's orchestra of five pieces.

Shortly after seven o'clock, the opening ceremonies of the lodge were performed by the members of Ruth chapter. Then came a reception to the grand officers. Next was an explanation of the routine work by Ruth chapter and an address of welcome to the visiting members by Grand Marshal Mrs. Abbie Stone of Ruth chapter. If there remained any doubt in the minds of the visitors in regard to the warmness of their welcome to Barre and to the halls of Ruth chapter, this was dispelled at the end of Mrs. Stone's address.

The response to the welcome was given in a fitting manner by Grand Martha Mrs. Myrtle Ford of Green Mountain, chapter of Cabot. The degree of the order was then conferred upon two candidates by the degree team of Queen Esther chapter of Waterbury. The explanation of the work was excellent and won the approbation of those assembled.

At the conclusion of the degree work, addresses were made by the visiting grand officers and other members. Members of the company contributed to the pleasure of the evening with music and readings, and the closing ceremonies were performed by Beniah chapter of Randolph.

This meeting was successful in every way and did much to make the members of the various chapters in the district better acquainted and more strongly bound in fraternity. The chapters in the district, all of which were represented last evening, are Queen Esther of Waterbury, Beniah of Randolph, Naomi of Northfield, Rob Morris of Montpelier, Ruth of Barre, Green Mountain of Cabot, Crescent of Brookfield, Charity of Williamstown and Friendship of Richmond.

## TWO CHILDREN DIE IN HOUSE FIRE

They Were Taken Out Alive by Firemen from House in Bridgeport, Conn., To-day, But Died from Their Injuries.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 9.—Two children, the nephew and daughter of Eugene Sullivan, were burned to death to-day in a fire, which destroyed a two-story frame house. The firemen brought the children out of the burning house, but they died later. The boy was four years old and the girl two years old.

### FIRE IN SHOW WINDOW.

Christmas Display in Winooski Store Was Damaged.

Bennington, Dec. 9.—A blaze in the Star department store at 1:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon called out the fire department. The fire which was confined and caught in the south window was caused from an overhead register which ignited the cotton batting used for the holiday trimming. Albert Dubuc, who had been arranging the window, first noticed the fire on entering. He immediately started to fight the fire and did very good work. A bucket brigade was formed by the remainder of the clerks and the blaze was extinguished before the arrival of the fire department. The damage, which amounted to about \$250, was confined to the window goods, but the remainder of the store was filled with smoke. Insurance was carried in the Illinois Insurance agency. Mr. Dubuc was nearly suffocated from the smoke and on returning from the flames his hair was thoroughly singed.

### FIVE MEN DROWNED.

And Fourteen Were Rescued Off Buffalo, N. Y. To-day.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 9.—Samuel Mayberry, chief engineer of the steamer W. C. Richardson, and four seamen were drowned to-day when their vessel went on the rocks three miles out of the city. Fourteen men were rescued.

### MONPELIER MAN ELECTED.

President, Vermont Society, Sons of American Revolution.

Burlington, Dec. 9.—The annual meeting of the Vermont society, Sons of the American Revolution, was held at the Van Ness House, at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. President Charles H. Darling presiding, with about 25 members in attendance.

The reports of various officers and committees were read and accepted, that of the treasurer showing a balance of nearly \$800 in the treasury.

Officers were elected as follows: President, William T. Dewey of Montpelier; vice president, Hon. Zed S. Stanton of Eschbar; secretary, Walter H. Crockett of Montpelier; registrar, H. L. Stillson of Bennington; treasurer, Clarence L. Smith of Burlington; historian, Walter H. Crockett of Montpelier; chaplain, Rev. Homer A. Flint of Montpelier; board of managers, Col. H. S. Foster of North Calais, H. P. McClary of Windsor, Hon. John A. Mead of Rutland, E. S. Pease of Burlington, Dr. H. D. Holton of Rutland, Warren Peck of New Haven, Harry S. Howard of Burlington, auditing committee, W. E. Greene of Burlington, Frank L. Fish of Vergennes, G. H. Holden of Burlington; honorary committee, Charles E. Allen of Burlington, Frank L. Greene of St. Albans, Hon. E. J. Ormsbee of Brandon.

Delegates to the national convention of 1910 at Toledo, the president and vice president, ex-officio, Hon. Charles H. Darling of Bennington, Hon. Edward C. Smith of St. Albans, Maj. H. E. Dyer of Rutland, Hon. U. A. Woodbury of Burlington, Hon. J. G. McCullough of North Bennington, Hon. C. S. Page of Hyde Park.

## ACCUSED OFFICIAL RESIGNED PLACE

Street Superintendent Fortin of St. Albans Had Been Charged with Not Turning in Money He Had Collected.

St. Albans, Dec. 9.—A special meeting of the city council was held yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, when the resignation of Ernest H. Fortin as superintendent of streets and water was tendered and accepted. At a council meeting Monday evening, charges of the misappropriation of city money were preferred against Mr. Fortin, those charges being that he had not turned into the city treasury certain sums of money, which he had collected and which belonged to the city. A special council meeting will be held Monday evening to fill the vacancy caused by Fortin's resignation.

### CHARGED WITH ABDUCTION.

Joseph Ferguson, Civil War Veteran, at Springfield.

Springfield, Dec. 9.—The preliminary trial of Joseph Ferguson held yesterday afternoon in the municipal court of this place, and resulted in the binding over of the respondent in bonds of \$1,000, to the Windham county court on the charge of abduction.

The crime with which Ferguson, who is a veteran of the Civil war, 76 years of age, is charged, is against the 13-year-old daughter of Will Bartlett, of this place, and the testimony in the case yesterday afternoon was sensational.

About six weeks ago, Ferguson left Springfield with the girl, and was afterwards found at the home of W. L. Fairbanks, a farmer near Malone, N. Y., but only after a prolonged search. She was brought back to Springfield by her parents, but Ferguson remained in New York State and refused to accompany the party back to Vermont. Yesterday afternoon he returned voluntarily to Springfield and was immediately arrested on the charge of abduction on a writ obtained by the father of the girl.

The testimony showed that the respondent had maintained improper relations with the girl since about four years ago, and that during their flight, they cohabited as man and wife. Ferguson introducing the young lady as his wife. The girl stated that Ferguson had asked her to run away with him, and that she had consented, not knowing where he intended taking her, but that they had kept to the woods as much as possible after their departure from Springfield, until they took the train for New York state. She did not remember any of the towns they passed through, as she had never been away from home before that time.

### BINGHAM IN BURLINGTON.

New York's Deposed Police Commissioner Spoke to Ethan Allen Club.

Burlington, Dec. 9.—Former Police Commissioner Bingham of New York City, who was removed from office by Mayor McEllan last July spoke before the Ethan Allen club last night, there being 150 men present. The speaker went somewhat into detail as to the duties of the police commissioner in New York city, with its 2,000 miles of streets and four and one-half millions of people, among whom there were 244,000 arrests in four years. Reference was made to some of the types of criminals, the taking of their photographs and the "third degree," by means of which suspects are induced to confess. Existing relations between politicians and police were discussed and some instances of graft were related. Gen. Bingham explained some of the peculiarities of New York city elections and made some suggestions as to how existing conditions might be bettered.

Gen. Bingham impressed his listeners as being thoroughly sincere and very much in earnest in his efforts to better existing conditions in the department over which he had charge and was heartily applauded. After the address many sought the opportunity to meet him and to hear additional incidents of his work.

### STABBED BY CANDY STICK.

Proctor Boy Killed in a Most Peculiar Manner.

Proctor, Dec. 9.—Clement Dwyer, aged four years, died at his home Tuesday evening from injuries received Monday. He was eating candy which is attached to a stick and while going into the house he fell, causing the stick to be pushed through his throat.

## MEETING OF COMMITTEES

Northfield Branch Presents Proposition

AT JOINT CONFERENCE

Three-hour Session Fails to Bring the Two Sides Any Nearer Together, Another Conference Being Held This Morning.

The dispute committee of Northfield branch G. C. I. A. and the special committee from the Barre manufacturers' association held a three-hour joint session at the manufacturers' rooms in this city this forenoon in an effort to reach an agreement on their differences. The Northfield committee brought over a proposition of settlement which it presented and which was discussed at the conference. At 12:45, the two committees adjourned for dinner, to meet again this afternoon at 2 o'clock, and they were still in session when The Times went to press.

Up to the recess, no apparent headway was made towards a mutual agreement between the two parties.

### BANQUET AND BUSINESS

By Sunday School Board of Hedding Methodist Church.

The annual banquet and business meeting of the Sunday school board of Hedding M. E. church was held in the vestry last evening. The banquet was served at 6 o'clock, and this was followed by the business meeting and election of officers, as follows: Superintendent, C. S. Andrews; first assistant and superintendent of the intermediate department, Robert Jones; second assistant, Albert Abbott; superintendent primary department, Mrs. A. W. Gates; superintendents beginners' department, Mrs. A. J. Baldwin; superintendent home department, Mrs. Nellie Matthews; superintendent cradle roll, Mrs. Joseph Hoyt; superintendent missionary department and temperance, Sidney Oliver; teacher of training, Dr. R. O. Thayer; secretary, Emory Newhall; assistant, C. S. Cushman; treasurer, A. W. Gates; organist, Mrs. W. J. Oliver; assistant, Vernon Wells; librarian, W. E. Oliver; assistant, Esther Jackson; committee on entertainments, Mrs. D. C. Jarvis, Mrs. E. P. Traverse, Mrs. Edith Barnes, D. J. Morse and Sidney Oliver.

### COMMON BATTERY SYSTEM.

To Be Installed in Both Barre and Montpelier Offices.

Manager Gowdy of the Vermont Telephone company stated to-day that the "common battery" system will be installed in the Barre office of his company in the new Howland Bros. & Cave block on North Main street, and that the switchboard was shipped from Chicago on December 4. He expects that the new system will be in operation by May 1, 1910. A similar system will be installed in the Montpelier office later, and it is expected that it will be in place by July 1, the delay being necessitated by the changing over of the branch open house for the new offices of the company.

### STORROW MEETS FITZGERALD.

Heer Up," Says One; "Cheer Up Yourself," Says the Other.

Boston, Dec. 9.—Candidate John F. Fitzgerald and Candidate James J. Storrow met face to face last evening in the corridor of Young's hotel.

Mr. Fitzgerald thought Mr. Storrow appeared glum, he explained after the meeting, so he shouted at him, "Cheer up!"

Mr. Storrow, startled by the sudden and loud salutation, turned quickly upon his heel, retorted, "Cheer up yourself!" and walked off.

Robert Norton, publicity agent for Mr. Storrow, stepped into the breach and engaged Mr. Fitzgerald in conversation. After a moment, Mr. Storrow joined them and said to Mr. Fitzgerald, with a smile, "How are you feeling?"

"Fine," replied Mr. Fitzgerald. "How are you feeling?" And Mr. Storrow replied, "Fine," and passed on.

### FOOTBALL BARRED.

New York Board of Education Takes Drastic Action.

New York, Dec. 9.—After Jan. 1, 1910, football is barred from the public schools of Greater New York. This was decided by resolution at a meeting of the board yesterday over the protest of James E. Sullivan, a member of the board, and a former president and now secretary of the Amateur Athletic union.

He fought hard for the retention of the game and was in favor of referring the matter to a committee on athletics, but he was voted down.

### BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Edward C. Hudson of St. Johnsbury and Charles W. Stewart of Brattleboro.

Rutland, Dec. 9.—Edward C. Hudson of St. Johnsbury, a laborer, has filed a petition in bankruptcy with Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States court. His liabilities are \$615.50, and his assets are \$190, of which \$150 is exempt. Charles W. Stewart of Brattleboro has also filed a bankruptcy schedule. He has debts of \$1,003 and assets of \$605.

## WHISKEY, GIN AND ALE MAKE A VERY SAD TALE

Which Will Be Told in Police Court Tomorrow Morning, When Antonio Labrana Is Arraigned for Illegal Keeping.

The police department made a big haul of liquor, when they raided the house occupied by Antonio Labrana on Granite street at 7 o'clock last evening, on a warrant issued by Grand Juror E. R. Davis. In the cellar, the officers found a 32-gallon keg of ale, and in a room upstairs they got 46 bottles of ale, three pints of whiskey, one pint of gin and another pint bottle with a small quantity of whiskey in it.

Labrana was arrested on the charge of keeping with the intent to sell and was brought into city court and admitted to bail of \$550 for his appearance for a hearing Friday morning. The bail was furnished by P. Negroni. The officers making the raid were Frank Hamel, George Carle, Harry Gamble and Special Officer George Howe.

### BOTH UNSUCCESSFUL.

Search for Liquor and for Boy Who Escaped from Jail.

On a warrant issued by State's Attorney Benjamin Gates, Deputy Sheriffs H. D. Camp, H. J. Slayton and George L. Morris and Officer George Carle made a raid at 7:30 this morning at the old Spring house on the East Barre road, but were unsuccessful in finding any contraband goods.

Last evening the same officers visited a farm house on the west hill occupied by a Mr. Carminetti and searched the premises on suspicion that Joseph Guidici, the boy who broke out of the police station a few weeks ago, was in hiding there but they did not find him, nor did they find any evidence that he had ever been there.

### WANT TO ISSUE BONDS.

Corry-Deavitt-Frost Company Applies for Capital Stock Increase.

The members of the public service commission, John W. Redmond of Newbury, S. Hollister Jackson of Barre and Eli Porter of Wilmington, with Clerk Rufus W. Spear of Newport, held a public hearing at the State House yesterday. Two matters were considered, the petition of the Corry-Deavitt-Frost company of Montpelier for an increase in its capital stock to \$225,000, it now being \$185,000, and an investigation as to the cause of the accident to John Shearer, a telephone lineman, who was injured by coming in contact with an electric wire of the Consolidated Lighting company of Montpelier. The accident happened some time ago.

In the Corry-Deavitt-Frost matter, E. H. Deavitt and I. M. Frost of the company stated that the reason they wished to increase its capital stock was that it might be able to issue more bonds, to cover the indebtedness more securely. The commission's decision was not announced.

The other hearing was held in the afternoon and was quite long, as several witnesses were examined. The accident to Mr. Shearer happened at the corner of Barre and Main streets. State's Attorney Gates appeared for the state, C. C. Fitts for the Vermont Telephone company, for whom Mr. Shearer was working at the time of the accident, and E. M. Harvey and F. L. Laird appeared for the injured man. The Consolidated Lighting company, which owned the wire that did the damage, was represented by R. A. Hoar of Barre. The decision will be announced later.

A dozen or more witnesses were examined, including E. H. Wedge, superintendent of the Consolidated company, J. H. Gowdy, general manager of the Vermont Telephone & Telegraph company, and a lineman who was caught between the wires of the two companies, strung on the same pole. During the hearing, J. W. Redmond, chairman of the commission, requested State's Attorney Gates to look into the matter and interview those interested and those having knowledge of the matter, to see if there is any good reason why the state's attorney should not bring a petition before the public service commission, requesting the commission to compel the telephone and lighting companies to put their wires underground in localities where they are dangerous, as it is alleged they were on the pole on which Shearer was injured.

Mr. Redmond said such action becomes necessary too frequently, and referred to the recent case of Chauncy Brown, who was badly burned about the head from a similar cause, and whose case against the New England Telephone company and the Consolidated Lighting company of Montpelier was tried in Orleans county court.

### SAW WONDERFUL THINGS.

Vermonters Attended International Live Stock Show in Chicago.

H. M. Farnham of East Montpelier and J. J. Dasher returned yesterday from a ten days' visiting trip. They attended the International Live Stock show at Chicago. Some of the wonderful things they saw was a big hog, weighing 950 pounds, prize-brood cattle that sold for \$18 per hundred, a prize winning Norman stallion, weighing over 2000, that sold for \$10,000. They visited Sioux City, where Mr. Farnham purchased a carload of horses, which will arrive Friday. Mr. Dasher visited his son in Jackson, Mich.

### K. OF C. OFFICERS.

John O'Leary Was Chosen Grand Knight Last Evening.

The annual election of officers of Barre council, No. 401, Knights of Columbus, was held last evening, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Grand knight, John O'Leary; deputy grand knight, Patrick McNulty; financial secretary, Arthur C. Moore; recorder, D. J. Sullivan; treasurer, E. J. Owens; warrier, Daniel Murphy; chancellor, Peter Desautel; advocate, Martin Riley; lecturer, John Conlon; chaplain, Rev. P. W. McKenna; medical examiner, Dr. J. W. Stewart.

## BIG BANQUET WAS SUCCESS

200 Washington Co. Granite Manufacturers Attended

THE ELECTION POSTPONED

H. J. M. Jones Acted as Toastmaster, and There Were Responses by Several Barre Men and Delegates from Other Associations.

Two hundred men, all of whom are engaged in some branch of the manufacture or sale of Barre granite, assembled in the Woodmen's hall last evening at the banquet of the Barre Granite Manufacturers' association, and for over four hours they enjoyed the occasion to the utmost. The annual business meeting of the association had been called together by President William Marr in the rooms of the association at 7:30 o'clock, and, after the reports of the secretary and treasurer had been read and accepted, it was voted to postpone the election of officers to a later date, to be decided upon by the executive board.

After short remarks had been made by Robert D